FISCAL NOTE

HB 3199 - SB 3380

February 27, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Removes the judge's discretion about which party should be assessed the \$2 courtroom security fee collected in addition to the \$5 continuance fee and states that the fee should be assessed on the party requesting the continuance. If multiple litigants request a continuance, the fee may be assessed on one or more parties.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

MINIMAL

Assumption:

• According to the Comptroller, most judges are currently assessing the fee. This bill directs the judge to assess it to the requesting party. The amount currently assessed will not change. There is no fiscal impact to state or local governments.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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